

**Guildford Cemetery,
Guildford, Surrey
War Graves**



Lest We Forget

World War 1



5631 PRIVATE

F. MAULL

28TH BN. AUSTRALIAN INF.

30TH DECEMBER, 1916 Age 30

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Frank MAULL

Frank Maull was born at Prestwick, Manchester, England in 1886 to parents Harry and Fanny Flora Maull (nee Young). He was baptised on 25th June, 1886 at St. Mary's Church, Prestwick, Lancashire, England. The family were living at Prestwick Rectory & Harry Maull was recorded as a Gardener.

The 1891 England Census recorded Frank Maull as a 4 year old, living with his family in the Rectory Cottage, Prestwick, Lancashire, England. His parents were listed as Harry Maull (Gardener & Domestic Servant, aged 33, born Great Barford, Oxfordshire) & Fanny F. Maull (aged 32, born Guildford, Surrey). Frank's younger brother was also listed – Thomas H. Maull (aged 2, born Prestwick, Lancashire.)

Frank Maull attended St. Nicholas' School, Guildford, Surrey, England.

The 1901 England Census recorded Frank Maull as a 14 year old Fruiterer's Errand Boy, living with his family at 10a Mount St, Guildford, Surrey, England. His parents were listed as Harry Maull (Gardener, aged 43) & Fanny Maull (aged 42). Frank was the eldest of four sons listed on this Census – Frank, Thomas (aged 12), Arthur (aged 9, born Guildford, Surrey) & William (aged 5, born Guildford, Surrey). Also listed with the family was a Boarder – Gilbert Gyatt (Jeweller's Assistant).

The 1911 England Census recorded Frank Maull, aged 24, as a Gardener living at Compton near Guildford, Surrey. The head of the household was listed as Mabel L. Hammond (aged 38).

[The 1911 England Census recorded the Maull family living at 11 Mount St, Guildford, Surrey, which was a 6 roomed dwelling. Harry Maull (Gardener, aged 53) & his wife Fanny Flora Maull (aged 52) had been married for 25 years & had 5 children. Three of their children were listed on this Census – Arthur (Printer's Apprentice, aged 19), William (Errand Boy, aged 15) & Edith Rose Maull (aged 9, born Guildford, Surrey).]

Frank Maull, Joiner, aged 27, was listed as a passenger on the *Ajana* which departed from London, England on 23rd August, 1913 & arrived at Fremantle, Western Australia on 2nd October, 1913.

Fran Maull was listed as a Temporary Repairer in the Way Works Branch of the Western Australian Government Railways (W.A.G.R. & T.). Frank Maull's date of birth with the W.A.G.R. & T. was listed as 30th May, 1887. He started work with the Western Australian Railways on 9th March, 1915 in Kununoppin, Western Australia. Frank Maull was granted leave on 1st April, 1916 under conditions for Temporary Employees to serve with A.I.F. (Australian Imperial Force).

Frank Maull was a 29 year old, single, Repairer from Railway Camp, Kununoppin, via Dowerin, Western Australia when he enlisted at Perth, Western Australia on 19th March, 1916 with the Australian Imperial Force (A.I.F.). His service number was 5631 & his religion was Church of England. His next of kin was listed as his father – Mr Harry Maull, 11 Mount Street, Guildford, Surrey, England.

Private Frank Maull was posted to 61st Depot Battalion on 4th April, 1916 for recruit training. He was transferred to "C" Company, 15th Reinforcements of 28th Battalion on 1st May, 1916.

Private Frank Maull embarked from Fremantle, Western Australia on HMAT *Surada* (A52) on 26th September, 1916 with the 7th Infantry Brigade, 28th Infantry Battalion, 15th Reinforcements & disembarked at Plymouth, England on 20th November, 1916.

Reinforcements were only given basic training in Australia. Training was completed in training units in England. Some of these were located in the Salisbury Plain & surrounding areas in the county of Wiltshire.

Private Frank Maull was marched in to 7th Training Battalion at Rollestone, Wiltshire, England on 7th December, 1916.

Private Frank Maull was admitted to Fargo Military Hospital on 18th December, 1916 – cause N.Y.D. (not yet determined). He was reported as seriously ill with Bronchitis on 22nd December, 1916.

Private Frank Maull died at 5.50 pm on 30th December, 1916 at Fargo Military Hospital, Wiltshire, England from Broncho Pneumonia. (Some forms in the Service Record file have the date of death as 31st December, 1916. The Hospital Admissions form & Morning State of Sick form completed by Medical Officer in Charge – both have the date of death as 30th December, 1916.

A death for Frank Maull, aged 30, was registered in the December quarter, 1916 in the district of Amesbury, Wiltshire, England.

Private Frank Maull's body was sent to his parents residence for interment – 11 Mount Street, Guildford, Surrey, England. He was buried on 4th January, 1917 (listed in Burial records for St. Nicholas' Church, Guildford, Surrey) in Guildford Old Cemetery, Guildford, Surrey, England – Plot number 2. A. 2643 and has a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone.

Private Frank Maull was entitled to British War Medal only as he had not entered a Theatre of War. A Memorial Scroll & Memorial Plaque were also sent to Pte Maull's father in England - Mr H. Maull, as the closest next-of-kin. (Scroll & Plaque sent July, 1922).

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission lists Private Frank Maull – service number 5631, aged 30, of 28th Battalion Australian Infantry. He was the son of Harry and Flora Maull, of 10A Mount St., Guildford. Born at Prestwick, Lancs.

Private F. Maull is commemorated on the Roll of Honour, located in the Hall of Memory Commemorative Area at the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, Australia on Panel 114.



Roll Of Honour WW1 Australian War Memorial Canberra, Australia

F. Maull is remembered on the Western Australia State War Memorial which is located at the top of Kings Park and Botanic Garden escarpment, ANZAC Bluff, Fraser Avenue, Perth, Western Australia. The memorial was developed around an 18 metre tall obelisk as the principal feature, which is almost a replica of the Australian Imperial Force Memorials erected in France and Belgium.

The heavy concrete foundations are supplemented by heavy brick walls which enclose an inner chamber or crypt. The walls surrounding the crypt are covered with The Roll of Honour; marble tablets which list under their units the names of more than 7,000 members of the services killed in action or as a result of World War One.



**Western Australia State War Memorial Cenotaph, Kings Park (above)
& (below) The Crypt with the Roll of Honour names**

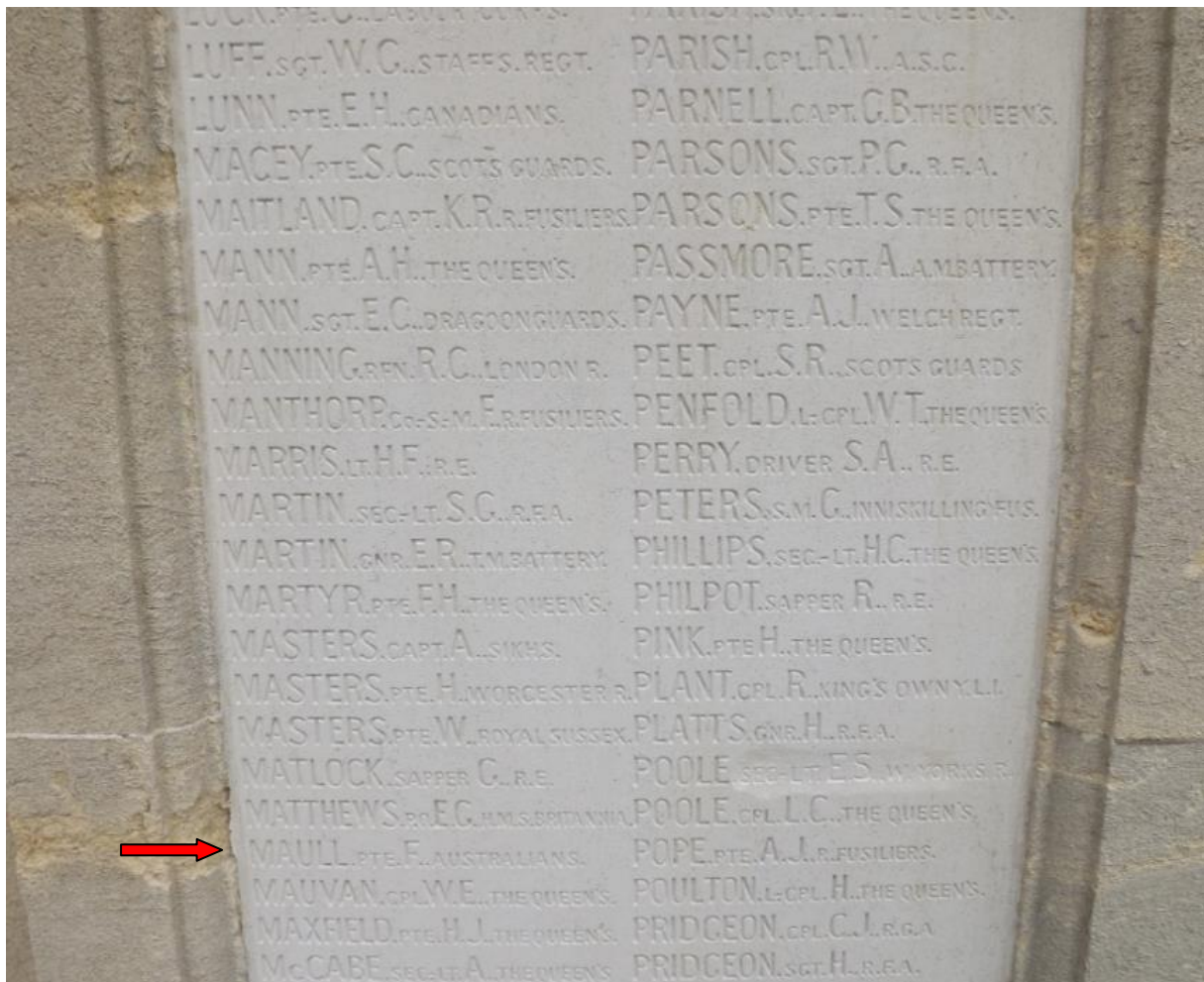
(Photos from Monument Australia – Kent Watson/Sandra Tattersall/Graeme Saunders)



F. Maull is remembered on the Guildford War Memorial, Surrey, England located in the grounds of Guildford Castle.



Guildford War Memorial (Photos from War Memorials Online – David Larkin)



(43 pages of Pte Frank Maull's Service records are available for On Line viewing at National Archives of Australia website).

Information obtained from the CWGC, Australian War Memorial (Roll of Honour, First World War Embarkation Roll, Red Cross Wounded & Missing) & National Archives



Newspaper Notices

ROLL OF HONOUR

THIS DISTRICT'S QUOTA TO THE EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

The following is a list of those who have volunteered for active service with the Australian Expeditionary Forces in Europe from this portion of the Eastern Wheat Belt:-

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F. Maull

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(The Eastern Recorder, Kellerberrin, Western Australia – 25 August, 1916)

DEATHS

MAULL – Dec. 30th at Fargo Military Hospital, Salisbury, of bronchitis, Pte Frank Maull, A.I.F., eldest son of Harry and Mrs Maull, 11, Mount-street, Guildford, aged 30.

(Surrey Advertiser, Guildford, Surrey, England – 6 January, 1917)

W.A. CASUALTIES

263rd OFFICIAL LIST

5th MILITARY DISTRICT

DEATHS

F. MAULL, England, died of illness

(The Daily News, Perth, Western Australia – 13 January, 1917)

Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstones

The Defence Department, in 1920/21, contacted the next of kin of the deceased World War 1 soldiers to see if they wanted to include a personal inscription on the permanent headstone. Space was reserved for 66 letters only (with the space between any two words to be counted as an additional letter) & the rate per letter was around 3 ½ d (subject to fluctuation).

The expense in connection for the erection of permanent headstones over the graves of fallen soldiers was borne by the Australian Government.

(Information obtained from letters sent to next of kin in 1921)

Private F. Maull does have a personal inscription on his headstone.

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Guildford Cemetery is on the old Farnham Road. The Guildford War Hospital with 445 beds was established in the Infirmary. There are 33 Commonwealth War Graves in this Cemetery – 13 from World War 1 & 20 from World War 2. There is only 1 Australian War Grave.



Guildford Cemetery (Photo by Magicfingers)

Photo of Private F. Maull's Commonwealth War Graves Commission Headstone in Guildford Cemetery, Guildford, Surrey, England.





Guildford Cemetery (Photo by Magicfingers)

Pte Frank Maul's headstone marked by red arrow